

METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR LOADING A SOFTWARE PLATFORM ONTO A COMPUTER SYSTEM

Abstract

A method and system for loading a software platform onto a computer
5 system is provided. The method and system allow a user to designate a target
computer system by entering computer model and submodel identifiers, and to select
a particular software platform. A control file pertaining to the selected software
platform is then located and queried to identify an entry in the control file having
computer model identifiers and submodel identifiers that match the entered
10 identifiers. If a match is established, support data from the identified entry is
displayed. Based upon the support data, a boot disk can be created and the selected
software platform can loaded onto the designated computer system.